

filing is December 22, 1999. Parties may also file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the hearing, as provided in § 207.24 of the Commission's rules, and posthearing briefs, which must conform with the provisions of § 207.67 of the Commission's rules. The deadline for filing posthearing briefs is January 24, 2000; witness testimony must be filed no later than three days before the hearing. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the reviews may submit a written statement of information pertinent to the subject of the reviews on or before January 24, 2000. On February 9, 2000, the Commission will make available to parties all information on which they have not had an opportunity to comment. Parties may submit final comments on this information on or before February 11, 2000, but such final comments must not contain new factual information and must otherwise comply with § 207.68 of the Commission's rules. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of § 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of §§ 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with §§ sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the Commission's rules, each document filed by a party to the reviews must be served on all other parties to the reviews (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

### Determination

The Commission has determined to exercise its authority to extend the review period by up to 90 days pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1675(c)(5)(B).

**Authority:** These reviews are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to § 207.62 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

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**Donna R. Koehnke,**

*Secretary.*

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## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

**[Investigations Nos. 701-TA-397-400 (Preliminary) and 731-TA-842-845 (Preliminary)]**

### Certain Crude Petroleum Oil Products From Iraq, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Revised schedule for the subject investigations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 13, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Ruggles (202-205-3187), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 29, 1999, the Commission established a schedule for the conduct of the subject investigations (64 FR 36919, July 8, 1999). Subsequently, the Department of Commerce extended the date for its initiation of the investigations from July 19 to August 9, 1999. The Commission, therefore, is revising its schedule to conform with Commerce's new schedule.

The Commission's new schedule for the investigations is as follows: Requests to appear at the conference must be filed with Fred Ruggles not later than August 9; the conference will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building at 9:30 a.m. on August 12; and the deadline for filing written briefs is August 17, 1999.

For further information concerning these investigations see the Commission's notice cited above and the Commission's rules of practice and procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and C (19 CFR part 207).

**Authority:** These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to § 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

**[Investigation No. 731-TA-827 (Preliminary)]**

### Nitrile Rubber From Korea

#### Determination

On the basis of the record<sup>1</sup> developed in the subject investigation, the United States International Trade Commission determines, pursuant to section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1673b(a)), that there is no reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or that the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports from Korea of acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber (nitrile rubber),<sup>2</sup> provided for in subheading 4002.59.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

#### Background

On May 27, 1999, a petition was filed with the Commission and the Department of Commerce by Zeon Chemicals, L.P., Louisville, KY, and Uniroyal Chemical Company, Inc., Middlebury, CT, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured and threatened with material injury by reason of LTFV imports of nitrile rubber from Korea. Accordingly, effective May 27, 1999, the Commission instituted antidumping investigation No. 731-TA-827 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigation and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of June 4, 1999 (64 FR 30059). The conference was held in

<sup>1</sup> The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

<sup>2</sup> For purposes of this investigation, Commerce has defined "nitrile rubber" as the synthetic rubber produced by the copolymerization of butadiene and acrylonitrile, not in latex form, and not containing additives, rubber processing chemicals, and/or other materials used for further processing beyond the copolymerization process.